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IN REPLY REFER TO:

NAVHOSP29PALMSINST 6530.1C

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### NAVAL HOSPITAL TWENTYNINE PALMS INSTRUCTION 6530.1C

From: Commanding Officer

Subj: BLOOD AND BLOOD PRODUCT PROCEDURES

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 6530.4  
(b) NAVMED P-5101 (Technical Manual of the American Association of Blood Banks), current edition  
(c) NAVMED P-5120 (Standards for Blood Banks and Transfusion Services), AABB, current edition  
(d) Title 21, Code of Federal Regulations, current edition  
(e) Circular of Information For the Use of Human Blood and Blood Components, April 1997

Encl: (1) Blood Bank Services and Procedures  
(2) Blood Bank Products and Services Available

1. Purpose. To establish policies to govern the professional services of the Blood Bank and procedures in obtaining and administering blood and blood derivatives as directed by references (a) through (e).

2. Cancellation. NAVHOSP29PALMSINST 6530.1B.

### 3. Background

a. This command has a Memorandum of Understanding with the Community Blood Bank Center, Rancho Mirage, using a service exchange agreement for donor units between the Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center (MCAGCC), Twentynine Palms, and the Community Blood Bank Center (CBBC).

b. This command does not maintain a blood donor center. All products are supplied by either CBBC or other military commands.

c. Blood or blood products are to be stored only within the Blood Bank as directed in references (a) through (e). Storage elsewhere is strictly prohibited.

d. Blood products are issued from the Blood Bank one unit for one patient at a time except in critical emergencies. If blood has not been used, it is to be returned within fifteen minutes of issue. Blood Bank procedures are referred to in enclosure (1).

e. Blood products and services available are listed in enclosure (2).

4. Action

a. Commanding Officer shall appoint in writing:

(1) A Pathologist or an Internal Medicine Physician as Blood Bank Medical Officer.

(2) A laboratory medical service corps officer as Blood Bank Officer.

b. Blood Bank Medical Officer shall:

(1) Be knowledgeable in blood bank operations and hemotherapy, including the standards, regulations and recommendations in references (a) through (e).

(2) Provide guidance on the principles of hemotherapy and blood banking.

(3) Discuss findings at Morbidity and Mortality Committee meetings with medical staff. Minutes of these meetings are sent to the Performance Improvement department.

c. Blood Bank Officer shall:

(1) Be responsible to the Commanding Officer for the proper operation of the Blood Bank.

(2) Maintain liaison with the MCAGCC Assistant Blood Donor Program Officer; Chief, Laboratory Service, Naval Medical Center, San Diego (NMCSO); and Western Area Blood Program Coordinator, NMCSO.

(3) Strictly enforce the regulations and standards prescribed by references (a) through (d) for processing, storing and transporting blood.

(4) Provide information to health care providers and clinical staff on regulations and standards related to transfusing blood and blood products.

d. Healthcare providers shall ensure informed consent is obtained from the patient prior to administration of any blood product or component. In situations involving a patient who is not of legal age, mentally competent, or capable of understanding the implications and hazards associated with blood product administration, informed consent must be obtained from the patient's parent or guardian.

e. All personnel who request blood, administer blood and blood products, or are involved in the operation of the blood bank shall be familiar with and adhere to the procedures in enclosure (2) and in the Naval Hospital Professional Self Instruction Course on Administering Blood and Blood Products.

f. Department Heads of areas that request blood, administer blood and blood products, or are involved in the operation of the Blood Bank shall ensure a copy of reference (e) is maintained in the area where blood is administered.

5. New or Revised Forms

a. Release of Blood for Emergency Transfusion (NAVHOSP29PALMS Form 6530/09), Patient Crossmatch Record (NAVHOSP29PALMS Form 6530/11), Transfusion Reaction Report (NAVHOSP29PALMS Form 6530/12), and Naval Hospital Laboratory Request (NAVHOSP29PALMS Form 6470/02) are being adopted in accordance with this instruction and may be obtained through Central Files.

b. Blood or Blood Component Transfusion Form (SF-518), may be obtained through Central Files.



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Distribution:  
List A

BLOOD BANK SERVICES AND PROCEDURES

1. Requesting Blood

a. Request for Transfusion Service

(1) For each unit of blood product requested, one completed Blood or Blood Component Transfusion Form (SF-518) and Laboratory Requisition (NAVHOSP29PALMS Form 6740/02), Appendix A, shall be submitted (this includes Rh Immune Globulin requests). The date and hour required, and the diagnosis must be on the SF-518. The requesting health care provider's name (signature not required) must appear in the box marked "physician". The individual drawing the blood specimen and the verifier (usually the patient) must both sign the SF-518 in the lower right hand corner of Section 1. If the patient is unable to verify and sign, or is a minor, then a staff member such as a laboratory technician, registered nurse, or the requesting health care provider must verify and sign.

(2) One seven milliliter red top tube is required for every two units of blood requested. Only one seven milliliter red top tube is required for any number of Fresh Frozen Plasma (FFP), platelet or cryoprecipitated antihemophilic factor (AHF) units.

(3) Deliver requisitions and specimen(s) directly to a Blood Bank Technician.

(4) The Typenex armband is used to identify the patient, specimen(s), and unit. Print the patient's full name, social security number (SSN), nursing unit, date and time obtained, and the initials of the person obtaining the specimen on the armband. Place the armband around the patient's wrist, remove the tube identification label and place it on the specimen tube. Attach the strip of corresponding Typenex numbers to the SF-518 with a paper clip.

(5) The Blood Bank will not accept unlabeled specimens.

b. Routine Requests. Routine requests must be submitted to the Blood Bank by 1400 on the day prior to transfusion. If received after 1400, they will be processed the following day.

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Routine blood requests are processed within the framework of the Blood Bank's daily work schedule. If blood is needed for use at a specific time, indicate this on the SF-518.

c. Preoperative Blood. Submit preoperative blood requests for scheduled surgery to the Blood Bank by 1000 on the day prior to surgery.

d. Autologous Blood Transfusions. The use of autologous blood is encouraged whenever patient condition and time allow. Autologous blood transfusions can be arranged with the Blood Bank Officer by submitting a Consultation Request (SF-513) at least two weeks in advance.

e. Type and Screen Requests (T&S)

(1) "Type and Screen" requests are processed as follows:

(a) The patient's ABO group, Rh type, and antibody screen are performed.

(b) If abnormalities in the antibody screen occur or no compatible blood is available, the laboratory staff will immediately notify the requesting healthcare provider.

(c) SF-518s are held in the Blood Bank in the event a transfusion is needed.

(2) Ordering "Type and Hold" is not advisable, as antibody screens are not performed prior to transfusion requests. In the event of an emergency situation, this additional screening would delay transfusion.

(3) If actual administration of a blood product is anticipated, order "Type and Crossmatch" so the products will be ready when needed.

(4) All T&S requests will automatically be converted to crossmatches by the laboratory personnel within four hours if the patient has a positive antibody screen.

f. Unusual requests. All available blood products and the appropriate request forms are listed in enclosure (2).

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g. Emergency Requests

(1) If a health care provider orders an emergency type and crossmatch, mark the SF-518 "Emergency" in the portion of Section 1 normally used to indicate date and hour wanted.

(2) If an extreme degree of urgency exists, group and type specific blood can be issued before the crossmatch is performed, provided a blood sample is submitted. Type specific blood WILL NOT be given without a sample being tested. If no sample is submitted, two units of group "O negative" will be issued.

(3) If the patient is a male who is bleeding profusely and no sample is tested for a match, group "O positive" will be issued. This type is more readily available in larger quantities and there is no risk of passing on acquired anti-D, should the patient be Rh negative.

(4) If blood is issued without a blood sample being processed for compatibility, a Release of Blood for Emergency Transfusion Form (NAVHOSP29PALMS Form 6530/9), Appendix B, must be signed by the medical officer prior to release of the blood by the Blood Bank.

2. Crossmatch

a. After the ABO and Rh type of the patient are determined, the units of blood are selected for crossmatching. The types of the units will be confirmed when the red cells are received from available blood supplies.

b. The technician performs the crossmatch, logs all results on the Patient Crossmatch Record (NAVHOSP29PALMS Form 6350/11), checks the SF-518's, the unit numbers and the unit. The technician then signs the SF-518 to verify all has been completed and notifies the requesting health care provider that the blood is available. All information will be annotated on the flat issue log located in the Blood Bank.

c. If the patient's specific group and type is not available, Blood Bank personnel will select the most compatible second choice. When compatibility problems are encountered, the

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Blood Bank may be required to modify the time frame and the mode of administration of the selected units of blood. The requestor will be notified of the delay in delivery.

d. Crossmatches expire 48 hours after the blood specimens submitted for testing were obtained. This may be extended to 72 hours by the Blood Bank Officer. All Crossmatches and T&S expire 24 hours following the administration of any blood product.

### 3. Removing Blood Units from the Blood Bank

a. Blood is not to be removed from the Blood Bank until the physician is ready to administer it. One unit of blood is issued at a time, as needed for transfusion, unless the patient is bleeding profusely and more than one line is available for blood product administration.

b. Prior to issue, the technician will visually inspect the unit for acceptability, verify that the patient's blood type matches or is compatible with the selected product, the unit numbers correspond, and all testing is complete.

c. The technician will sign the SF-518 in Section III under "Pre Transfusion Date", sign off the flat log in the Blood Bank, and have the individual to whom the product is being issued sign the log.

d. When blood products are being picked up from the Blood Bank, the patient's addressograph plate, the patient's ID Card, or some other form of positive identification containing the patient's full name, SSN, and date of birth must be provided.

### 4. Administering Blood and its Derivatives

a. A health care provider must order the units to be infused in writing. Registered nurses may not assume this responsibility.

b. A transfusion may be started by a health care provider or by a registered nurse who has current intravenous therapy certification. Prior to administration, two individuals must perform the following verification procedures:

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(1) Match the patient's name and transfusion number on the armband with the name and transfusion number on the SF-518 and the transfusion number on the unit.

(2) Both individuals will sign the SF-518, Section III, verifying number identification of the transfusion recipient and donor unit.

c. Except in an emergency, the health care provider must document that the indications, risks, complications and alternatives have been discussed with the patient and "Informed Consent" has been obtained.

d. The post-transfusion data portion of Section III of the SF-518 shall be completed by the health care provider or registered nurse who terminates the transfusion.

e. Registered nurses are professionally accountable for their actions; therefore, registered nurses, have the professional duty to refuse to administer blood and its derivatives if they believe it is contraindicated.

f. Absolutely no other fluids, additives or medications, other than normal saline, will be infused through the blood administration system while blood is being infused.

#### 5. Returning Blood Units to the Blood Bank

a. If the transfusion is delayed more than 15 minutes, return blood immediately to the Blood Bank. NEVER PLACE BLOOD IN NURSING UNIT REFRIGERATOR.

b. Blood returned to the Blood Bank more than 30 minutes after it has been checked out will be destroyed.

c. Following the administering of a unit, return the bag and transfusion set, with 5 cubic centimeters of blood remaining in it, promptly to the Blood Bank with the carbon copy of the SF-518 completed by a health care provider or registered nurse.

6. Transfusion Reaction. First, immediately stop the infusion. Any transfusion reaction confirmed by a health care provider must be reported by telephone to the Blood Bank. The SF-518 is

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completed, and action taken, as outlined on the SF-518. A completed Transfusion Reaction Report (NAVHOSP29PALMS Form 6530/12) accompanied by post-transfusion reaction specimens, will be submitted to the Blood Bank immediately following any transfusion reaction. Further descriptions of transfusion reaction can be found in the Naval Hospital Professional Self Instruction Course on Administering Blood and Blood Products.

7. Expired Blood. Expired blood shall not be used.

8. Release of Blood. In general, crossmatched units are held 48 hours. After 48 hours, units will be released unless otherwise ordered by the attending medical officer. The Blood Bank will be notified immediately when a crossmatch request is cancelled.

9. Rh Immune Globulin (Rh IG or RhoGam) is used to prevent formation of antibodies in an Rh (D) negative female, who delivered an Rh (D) positive infant or who had an abortion or miscarriage.

a. Rh Immune Globulin will be requested on a SF-518, which will be submitted to the Blood Bank. Rh Immune Globulin is administered by a registered nurse.

b. The SF-518 is to be filled out in the same manner as for blood transfusion, except that the Post Transfusion Data portion of Section III remains blank, and a physician's supervision of the first injection is not required.

c. Inject the contents of one vial into the postpartum patient intramuscularly. Do not inject into the infant. Rh Immune Globulin is administered within 72 hours after delivery, abortion, or miscarriage.

d. There is the potential for antibodies to develop antenatally. This risk is substantially reduced by administering Rh Immune Globulin to Rh (D) negative mothers at 28 weeks gestation. This procedure requires a SF-518, filled out exactly as for other Rhogam requests. It is submitted as other Blood Bank specimens and is considered to be a routine request. Generally, the RhIG will be ready for administration the day following submission.

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BLOOD BANK PRODUCTS AND SERVICES AVAILABLE

PRODUCTS AVAILABLE

FORM AND SPECIMEN REQUIRED

Packed Red Blood Cells (PRBC)  
- CPDA-1 preserved, 250 cc  
- ADSOL (AS-1 and AS-3), 325 cc

SF-518 for each unit; one  
7ml red top tube for  
each two units

Fresh Frozen Plasma (FFP)

SF-518 for each unit

Cryoprecipitated Antihemophilic  
Factor (CRYO).

SF-518 for each unit

Platelet (PLT) concentrate or PLT  
Pheresis can be specially ordered  
from CBBC with concurrent delays  
associated with transportation.

If 1-4 units of PLT  
concentrate is requested,  
the Blood Bank will order  
equivalent pooled PLT. One  
PLT Pheresis will be

ordered if 5-8 units of PLT

concentrate is requested.  
One SF-518 is required for

each pooled PLT or Pheresis

Rh Immune Globulin  
(Rh IG/RhoGam)

SF-518 for each dose and  
one 7ml red top tube. Same  
forms and specimen required  
for antenatal RhIg.

SERVICES AVAILABLE

FORM AND SPECIMEN REQUIRED

Group and Type

Naval Hospital Laboratory  
Request (NAVHOSP29PALMS  
Form 6740/02); one red top  
tube.

Type and Hold (not recommended)  
- Patient will be grouped and  
typed; for low probability  
of transfusion

Blood or Blood Component  
Transfusion Form (SF 518);  
One red top tube.

Type and Screen  
- Patient will be grouped,  
typed, and screened for  
antibodies; blood will be  
made available, but not  
crossmatched.

SF-518; one red top tube.

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SERVICES AVAILABLE

FORM AND SPECIMEN REQUIRED

Type and Crossmatch

- Patient will be grouped,  
typed, screened for anti-  
bodies, and crossmatched;  
for high probability of  
transfusion

SF-518; red top tube  
NAVHOSP29PALMS Form  
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Direct Coombs

NAVHOSP29PALMS Form  
6740/02; red or lavender

top tube

Indirect Coombs

NAVHOSP29PALMS Form  
6740/02; red top tube

Antibody Identification

NAVHOSP29PALMS Form  
6740/02; red top tube and  
lavender top tube.

Appendix A NH29Palms Form 6740/02

Appendix B Release of blood for emergency transfusion

Appendix C NH29Palms Form 6350/11

Appendix D NAVHOSP29PALMS Form 6530/12

A Requires Appointment be made with Lab C Requires both Consult and Appointment 0 0800 thru 1400 ONLY Mon-Fri 00 0800 thru 1330 ONLY Mon-Fri S Medical Use ONLY - NO Legal Specimens (See Lab Guide)				Patient Information (Name, FMP-SSN, Sex, Age, (DOB), Phone Number, and Requesting & Health Record Location are REQUIRED.							
HEMATOLOGY R S			CHEMISTRY (Serum/Plasma) R S								
CBC			Electrolytes (Na, K, Cl, co2)								
Differential (HCP initial required)			Glucose (Random)								
Platelet Count			Glucose (Fasting)			Health Record Location:					
Retic Count			1° Post Glucose (0)			Requesting Provider			Requesting Location		Date & Time
Sed Rate			Glucose 2° PP (00)			URINE CHEMISTRY R S			SEROLOGY/MISCELLANEOUS R S		
MonoSpot			Glucose Tolerance A			AmyLase (Random)			R.P.R.		
Sickle Cell Screen			B. U. N.			AmyLase (2°) Vol: _____			ASO		
			Creatinine			Electrolytes (Na,K,Cl)			Rheumatoid Factor		
COAGULATION			Uric Acid			24 Hr. Collections: Total Volume: mL.					
PT			Magnesium			•----- Calcium			24° AmnioStat		
PTT (APTT)			Inorg. Phosph.			•----- Total Protein			24° TSH		
Fibrinogen			Calcium			•----- Phosphorous			24° Beta HCG (Quant.)		
Bleeding Time	A		Total Protein			•----- Urea (UUN)			24° Rubella		
			Albumin			•----- Uric Acid			24° Chylmadia		
URINALYSIS			Total Bilirubin			•----- Creatinine			24° HbSag		
Routine U.A.			Direct Bilirubin			Creatinine Clear.			REFERENCE LAB TESTING		
Routine & Micro U.A.			Neonatal Bilirubin			CrC Vol: _____			Anti-Nuclear Ab Scrn		
Beta H.C.G. (Qual)			Gamma GT						Hemoglobin Alc		
Semen Analysis	C		Alk. Phosphatase						AFP		
			ALT (SGPT)			T.D.M. & TOXICOLOGY			CEA		
C.S.F.	Tube #		AST (SGOT)			Gentamycin PEAK			PSA		
Cell Count & Diff			LD			TROUGH			T3 RI		
CSF Glucose			CK			Carbamazepine			Toxoplasmosis Abs		
CSF Protein			CK(MB)			Dilantin			HSV I & II		
Meningitis Screen			AmyLase			Phenobarbitol			Hepatitis (Anti-A IgM, HbCAb, HbSAb, HbSag)		
			Cholesterol			Lithium			Iron W/U (Ferritin, Fe, & TIBC)		
MISC. BODY FLUIDS	Tube #		Triglyceride			Theophylline					
BF Cell Count & Diff			HDL			Digoxin			Fertility Panel (LH, FSH, Prolactin)		
BF Glucose			P1 E, Glu, BUN, Cr			Acetaminophen			Sickle Cell Screen		
BF Protein			P2 P1, Ca, P, Mg, Alb			Salicylate			G6PD		
Crystal Exam.			Cardiac (Ast, LD, CK)			ETOH (\$)			HIV (\$)		
			Lipids (Chol, TG, HDL)			Fe Poisoning Screen (Fe, T.I.B.C.)			OTHER TESTING		
IMMUNOHEMATOLOGY			LFT (Total & Dir. Bili AST, ALT, GGT, LD, Total Protein)			Urine Drug Screen (\$) (Opate, Cocaine, Barbiturate, THC, Benzodiazepine, & Amphetamine)					
ABO / Rh			Thyroid (T4, T3U, FTI)								
Direct Coombs (DCT)			PNS-NOB (CBC, Plt, UA, (Rubella, HbSag, RPR Chylamida, BBS)								
Indir. Coombs (Abs)											
BBS (ABO/Rh,DCT,Abs)											
Cord Blood Study			PNS-28 CBC, Plt, Abs								

NOTE: All blood product ordering (X-MATCH, T&S, RhoGam,Cryo, FFP) requires a SF-518 for EACH unit of product!!

1-WHITE LAB/UA 2-BLUE HEMO 3-GOLDRD CHEM  
 NH29P 6740/02 (6-93) 4-YELLOW SPECIALS 5-GREEN BLOOD BANK 6-PINK CLINIC WARD  
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RELEASE OF BLOOD FOR EMERGENCY TRANSFUSION

1. Due to the critical condition of \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_,

I request the immediate release of packed red blood cells for emergency transfusion, without a completed crossmatch. I assume complete responsibility for any resultant reaction or injury to my patient.

UNIT NUMBER	UNIT TYPE AND RH
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

_____ DATE	_____ PHYSICIAN'S SIGNATURE
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NAME (LAST, FIRST, MI)										SSN					DOB			
ANTIBODY INFORMATION / OTHER DATA																		
W A R D	PATIENT BLOOD TYPE									PATIENT ANTIBODY SCREEN								
	DATE	ANTI A	ANTI B	ANTI D	D CON	DU	DU CONT	A1 CELL	B CELL	INTER PRETATION		15	37 °C	AHG	CC	INTER PRETATION	TECH	
	# 1										SI							
											SII							
											AUTO							
	# 2										SI							
											SII							
											AUTO							
	# 3										SI							
											SII							
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	# 4										SI							
											SII							
											AUTO							
	# 5										SI							
											SII							
											AUTO							

COMPATIBILITY TESTING CARD

NH29PALMS FORM 6350/11						PATIENT CROSSMATCH RECORD											
						FFP											
DATE	PRO #	UNIT NUMBER	PRODUCT	SEGMENT NUMBER	UNIT ABO/Rh	AC	BC	IS	37°C	AHG	CC	I NTERPRETATION	DISPOSITION				
NAME (LAST,FIRST, MI)											DISPOSITION CODE URD = UNIT RELEASE TNR = TRANSFUSED. NO REACTION RTT = REACTION TO TRANFUSION						

TRANSFUSION REACTION REPORT

TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE - SUBMIT IMMEDIATELY!

1. Stop transfusion. Keep IV open with saline.
2. Summon any available physician immediately.
3. Check all identifying data.
4. Notify Blood Bank of possible transfusion reaction.
5. Obtain the following specimens for Laboratory Department evaluation.
  - a. Urine - immediate post transfusion and a specimen collected four hours following the reaction.
  - b. Blood (completely fill all tubes, signed by phlebotomist)
    - (1) red top tube
    - (2) lavender top tube
    - (3) blue top tube

6.	Before Transfusion	During Transfusion	Post Transfusion
Temperature	_____		
Blood pressure	_____		
Pulse rate	_____		
Clinic diagnosis	_____		
Previous transfusion	___Yes___No___Date_____		
Amount received prior to reaction	_____		
Time started	_____Time stopped_____		
Category:	Whole blood___packed cells___Other_____		
Was the blood warmed?	_____ If yes, how?_____		